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Subject: Re: Blades GW Salient

Good. Thanks

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On Mar 7, 2018, at 11:24 AM, Yap-deffler, Yazmine <Yap-Deffler.Yazmine@epa.gov> wrote:

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How's this?

EPA attends Public Meeting Regarding the Blades Groundwater Site, Blades, Delaware -

On March 1, 2018, EPA and the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) attended a public meeting held by Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC) and the Blades Water Company to discuss the public and residential wells impacted with per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFASs) and the next step forward. Due to the PFAS HAL exceedances at the three public wells and three residential wells, the public water company installed a new carbon vessel to treat the raw water and sampling results of the treated water showed that the public wells meet or exceed the federal and state safe drinking water standards, while DNREC provided four homes with point of use carbon filtration systems to address the PFAS contamination (three of them had PFAS levels above the HA; a fourth well was close enough to the HAL that the homeowner was also given a filtration system). At DNREC's request, EPA has sampled 44 private wells and has sampling results for 34 of those private wells. Several media outlets were present at the meeting. The public meeting was well received and attended by approximately 100 citizens. (K. Chase, 4-3124; C. O'Loughlin, 4-3304; ATSDR: K. Markiewicz, 4-3149)

Thanks,
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FYI, yesterday we got a message from LaRonda saying salients should be no longer than 5 sentences. Not sure how strict they will be about this... I could and may later this week shorten this one.

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EPA attends Public Meeting Regarding the Blades Groundwater Site, Blades, Delaware -

On March 1, 2018, EPA Region 3 attended a public meeting held by Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC) and the Blades Water Company to discuss the public and residential wells which have been impacted with per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFASs) and the next step forward. The meeting was advertised by multiple news outlets and on DNREC's website. In addition, DNREC also issued a press release about the meeting. DNREC provided an overview of the analytical information regarding the groundwater contamination and the impacts to the drinking water public supply wells and residential wells. A recent groundwater sampling has identified PFAS contamination in three public drinking water wells that make up the wellfield and three residential wells above EPA's Health Advisory Level (HAL) of 70 parts per trillion (ppt). The EPA has sampled 44 private wells and has sampling results for 34 of those private wells. DNREC has provided four homes with point of use carbon

filtration systems to address the contamination (three of them had PFAS levels above the HA; a fourth well was close enough to the HAL that the homeowner was also given a filtration system). Due to the PFAS HAL exceedances, the public water company installed a new carbon vessel to treat the raw water on February 14, 2018. Sampling results of the treated water showed that the public water system meets or exceeds the federal and state safe drinking water standards. The public meeting was attended by approximately 100 citizens. The meeting was well received and attendees had great questions for the Site team members. Several media outlets were present at the meeting. A representative from the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) was also present to answer any health-related questions. (K. Chase, 4-3124; C. O'Loughlin, 4-3304; ATSDR: K. Markiewicz, 4-3149)

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